

**Draft**  
**Little Hoover: Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory**  
**Commission**  
**Hearing: January 26, 2005**

**What were the reasons for establishing the entities proposed for reorganization and how has this public need changed?**

This advisory commission was established to develop community and educational awareness programs to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landmark Supreme Court ruling, Brown v. Board of Education. No appointments were made to establish this commission.

**Which functions will be eliminated by the reorganization, and which functions will be performed differently as a result of the reorganization?**

The functions of the commission have been fulfilled by the extensive efforts of numerous educational and other groups in providing materials and awareness opportunities both in schools and the wider community. Additionally, attention to this issue transcends a single anniversary year and attention to the significance of this decision continues.

**For each board or commission proposed for absorption into your agency, please describe the structure, process, number and type of positions that will fulfill these functions.**

Proposal is for elimination.

**What savings (if any) will be captured as a result of the reorganization? What will be done with those savings and how will they be accounted for in the budget?**

Members serve without compensation, but receive reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred.

**For boards or commissions that are proposed for elimination. Who are the appointing authorities, what are the qualifications for membership and the terms of office?**

The Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka Advisory Commission consists of nine members comprised of five members appointed by the Governor, two appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, and two appointed by the Assembly Speaker. The commission will sunset on January 1, 2006.

**For boards or commissions that are created by the reorganization, who are the appointing authorities, what are the qualifications for membership, the terms of office and the compensation?**

No proposal for continuation or reorganization.

**How will the new organization guard against special interests inappropriately influencing decision-makers.**

Non-applicable.

**How will the public be better served by reorganizing these boards or commissions and how will this improvement be measured and reported?**

Non-applicable.